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TAGS: OVIP (CARTER, JIMMY)

SUBJECT: PREADVANCE VISIT

1. FOLLOWING IS THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR THE PREADVANCE
VISIT TO MONROVIA. PLEASE REVIEW AND ADVISE ANY QUESTIONS
OR SUGGESTIONS.

MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1978 -

9:50 AM ARRIVE ROBERTSFIELD

11:00 AM MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR CARTER.
----- INCLUDED FROM THE PRE-ADVANCE GROUP WOULD BE
----- PHIL WISE-TRIP DIRECTOR, EVAN DOBELLE-CHIEF OF
----- PROTOCOL, ROBERT PACE-STATE SECRETARIAT, AND
----- ROBERT GATES-NSC.

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11:30 AM EMBASSY COUNTERPART MEETING.
----- INCLUDED FROM PRE-ADVANCE GROUP WILL BE
----- REPRESENTATIVES FROM PRESIDENTIAL ADVANCE, PRESS,
----- PRESIDENTIAL SECURITY, COMMUNICATIONS, MEDICAL,
----- MILITARY, STATE SECRETARIAT, STATE SECURITY,
----- STATE ADMINISTRATION, NSC.

1:00 PM MEETING WITH KEY LIBERIAN OFFICIALS.

----- INCLUDED FROM PRE-ADVANCE GROUP WOULD BE WISE,
----- DOBELLE, PACE, AND GATES. FROM THE EMBASSY -
----- AMBASSADOR AND/OR THE DCM AND WHOEVER ELSE THE
----- AMBASSADOR FEELS SHOULD BE INCLUDED. THE
----- PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING WILL BE TO MAKE FINAL
----- DECISIONS ON THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE. WE
----- REQUEST THAT THOSE WHO CAN MAKE DECISIONS WITHIN
----- THE HOST GOVERNMENT BE PRESENT.

1:30 PM COUNTERPART MEETING WITH LIBERIAN GOVERNMENT.

2:00 PM SITE SURVEYS.

4:00 PM WRAP-UP MEETING WITH LIBERIAN OFFICIALS.

----- WRAP-UP MEETINGS WILL BE USED TO SUMMARIZE AND/
----- OR FINALIZE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE TRIP. ALL
----- INTERESTS SHOULD BE REPRESENTED. THERE MAY,
----- HOWEVER, BE A NEED FOR SHORT DISCUSSIONS BEFORE-
----- HAND BETWEEN THE SAME PARTICIPANTS AS IN THE
----- MEETING WITH KEY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

5:00 PM DEPART ROBERTSFIELD.

10:20 PM ARRIVE ANDREWS AFB.

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2. AS BASIS FOR INITIAL MEETING WITH EMBASSY PERSONNEL, WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY PROVIDING PREADVANCE TEAM WITH COPIES OF A PROPOSED SCENARIO FOR VISIT IN AS MUCH DETAIL AS POSSIBLE. IN ORDER TO PRODUCE THIS IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO DISCUSS PROPOSED EVENTS WITH HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO OBTAIN THEIR PROPOSALS. EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE IT CLEAR TO HOST GOVERNMENT THAT THE PREADVANCE AND ADVANCE TEAMS WILL FINALIZE ALL ARRANGEMENTS AND EMBASSY SHOULD AVOID COMMITMENTS. HOWEVER, OBJECTIVE IS TO HAVE A COGENT PROPOSED DESCRIPTION OF EACH EVENT, WITH ALTERNATIVES IF APPROPRIATE, TO ALLOW PREADVANCE TEAM TO ACCOMPLISH AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE IN THE LIMITED TIME AVAILABLE.

3. TO COMPLEMENT SCENARIOS, REQUEST BOTH DIAGRAMS AND PHOTOGRAPHS OF ALL SITES BE READY FOR USE BY PREADVANCE TEAM. DIAGRAMS MAY BE SKETCHES AND SHOULD SHOW THE DETAILS OF THE PRESIDENT'S PROPOSED MOVEMENTS. FOR EXAMPLE, AIRPORT ARRIVAL SKETCH WOULD SHOW POSITIONS OF AIRCRAFT, GREETING PARTY, POSITION FOR REMARKS, ETC.

4. IN ADDITION, THE WHITE HOUSE PRESS OFFICE HAS

REQUESTED THAT APPROXIMATELY SIX PHOTOS OF EACH EVENT

SITE FROM VARIOUS PERSPECTIVES BE PREPARED AND AVAILABLE
TO ASSIST IN THEIR PLANNING.

5. COMPOSITION OF PREADVANCE TEAM AND ADVANCE TEAM AS
WELL AS ADVANCE TEAM ARRIVALS WILL BE PROVIDED AS SOON
AS POSSIBLE.

6. UNDERSTAND VISAS WILL BE REQUIRED FOR ANY PERSONNEL
OVERNIGHTING LIBERIA. PLEASE ADVISE IF VISAS REQUIRED
FOR PREADVANCE OR PRESIDENTIAL PARTY (INCLUDING PRESS)
WHO ARE ONLY TRANSITING VIA ROBERTSFIELD.

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7. INOCULATIONS: WILL REQUIRE ALL PERSONS TO HAVE SHOT
RECORDS AND CURRENT SMALLPOX AND YELLOW FEVER SHOTS.
PLEASE ADVISE IF THIS MEETS REQUIREMENTS.

8. CABLES CONCERNING ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS AND
SCHEDULING NEED NOT BE CAPTIONED (EXDIS, NODIS) AND
NORMALLY SHOULD NOT BE CLASSIFIED HIGHER THAN CONFIDENTIAL.
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